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 TAGS: SOPN, MOPS, PLO, IS, SY
 SUBJECT: ISRAELI MIA'S - ZACHARY BAUMEL

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2. SENATOR PERCY'S STAFFER, ALAN SAFRAN, CALLED NEA/ARN WILLIAMSON TO REPORT LETTER TO SENATOR FROM SYRIAN AMBASSADOR RE BAUMEL. SENATOR HAD SENT LETTER OF INQUIRY TO AMBASSADOR SEPT. 15, WHEN AMB. PROMISED TO GET SARG REPLY. AMBASSADOR'S REPLY TO SENATOR, DATED NOVEMBER 23, CONTAINED FOLLOWING LANGUAGE ACCORDING TO SAFRAN.

BEGIN QUOTE -- IN CONVEYING THIS LAST BIT OF NEWS ON THIS SUBJECT (BAUMEL), IT NOW DEFINITELY APPEARS THAT THERE IS NOT ONE SINGLE PRISONER WHO HAS NOT BEEN SEEN BY THE RED CROSS AND INSCRIBED ON THEIR LIST. THE WHEREABOUTS OF THIS MISSING PERSON ARE TOTALLY UNKNOWN TO THE SYRIAN AUTHORITIES. END QUOTE. DAM

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